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**Aster DM Healthcare Limited – Communication to shareholders w.r.t Deduction of tax at source  
on interim Dividend for Financial Year (FY) 2025-26**

***[The provisions of the Income-tax Act, 2025 ("the Act") have come into force with effect from 1 April 2026, replacing the earlier Income-tax Act, 1961. Accordingly, for the purposes of this communication, all references to applicable sections, rules, rates and prescribed forms have been made in accordance with the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 2025 and the Income-tax Rules framed thereunder, as applicable for the financial year 2026–27]***

Dear Members(s),

We are pleased to inform you that the Board of Directors at its meeting held on March 26, 2026, has declared an interim dividend of Rs. 3 /- per share for the financial year 2025-26. The Board has fixed April 03, 2026 as the record date for determining entitlement of members to receive interim dividend for the financial year 2025-26.

Further, in terms of the applicable provisions of the Income-tax Act, 2025 ("the Act") any dividend paid or distributed by a Company is taxable in the hands of the members. The Company shall therefore be required to deduct tax at source at the time of making the payment of the interim dividend.

This communication provides a brief of the applicable Tax Deduction at Source (TDS) provisions under the Act for Resident and Non-Resident members.

**1. Resident Members**

**For resident members**, tax shall be deducted at source under Section 393(1) [Table: S. No. 7] of the Act as follows:

| <b>TDS rate</b>  | <b>Exemption applicability/ Documents required</b>   |
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| <b>Shareholders having valid Permanent Account Number ('PAN')</b>        |  |
| 10% or as notified by the Government                                     | For companies - No threshold limit;<br>For individuals - INR 10,000. Any dividend paid in excess of INR 10,000 will subject to TDS at the rate of 10%. |
| <b>Shareholders having invalid PAN/ PAN not linked with Aadhar Numbe</b> |  |

| TDS rate                             | Exemption applicability/ Documents required   |
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| 20% or as notified by the Government | <p>It may be noted that as per the provisions of section 397(2)(b)(i) of the Act, tax shall be deducted at the rate of 20% in case defective/ invalid/ inoperative PAN is submitted by the member.</p> <p>Please note that as per provisions of the Act every person holding PAN needs to intimate his Aadhar number to the income tax department (PAN – Aadhar linking). Further, as per Rule 162 of the Act, where person fails to do so the PAN of such person shall become inoperative and where TDS at higher rate as per section 397(2)(b)(i) of the Act shall apply.</p> <p>Based on CBDT circular number 9/2025 dated 21 July 2025, where any amount paid or credited on or after 01 August 2025, there exists no liability for the deductor to deduct TDS at higher rate provided the deductee make the PAN operative (as a result of linkage with Aadhar) within two months from the end of the month in which the amount is paid or credited.</p> <p>The declaration undertaking linkage of Aadhar to PAN be enclosed as <b>Annexure I</b>.</p> <p>Note: <u>The Company reserves its right to recover any demand raised subsequently on the Company for not informing the Company or providing wrong information about applicability of section 397(2)(b)(i) of the Act.</u></p> |
| <b>Exemption from TDS</b>            |   |
| 0% individuals                       | <p>The Shareholder submits Form 121 (applicable to individual), provided that all the required eligibility conditions are met. Blank Form 121 has been enclosed as <b>Annexure II</b> to this communication.</p> <p>Further as per Finance Act 2023, the new taxation regime under section 115BAC of the Income Tax Act, 1961/ section 202 of the Income Tax Act, 2025 is the default tax regime. Accordingly, we shall consider the forms for exemption only in cases where estimated total income in case of Form 121 is less than or equal to INR 4,00,000.</p> <p>KINDLY NOTE THAT ONLY THOSE FORM 121 SHALL BE CONSIDERED WHICH ARE FOUND COMPLETE IN ALL RESPECTS AND NO FURTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR RESUBMISSION OF THE FORM(S) WILL BE PROVIDED.</p>  |

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| <p style="text-align: center;">0%</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Non-individuals<br/>(on submission of the requisite documents as mentioned)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b>Insurance companies:</b> A declaration that they are beneficial owners of shares held, along with self-attested copy of relevant registration documents and PAN.</li> <li>✓ <b>Mutual Funds:</b> A declaration that they are governed by the provisions of section 11 [schedule VII (20)/(21)] of the Act along with self-attested copy of relevant registration documents.</li> <li>✓ <b>Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) established in India:</b> A declaration that their income is exempt under section 11 [schedule V (1)] of the Act, and they are established as Category - I or Category - II AIF under the SEBI regulations along with self-attested copy of relevant registration documents and PAN.</li> <li>✓ <b>Provident Fund, Superannuation Fund, Gratuity Fund, Pension Fund and ESI Fund</b> whose income is exempt under Section 11 of the Act and on which TDS is not required to be deducted, are required to provide self-attested valid documentary evidence (like approval granted by Income Tax Officer / Commissioner, relevant copy of registration, etc.)</li> </ul> <p>The declaration to be submitted by the above shareholders have been enclosed as <b>Annexure III</b>.</p> |
| <b>Order under section 395 of the Act</b>  |  |
| <p>Rate as prescribed in the order</p>   | <p>✓ Lower/NIL withholding tax certificate obtained from Income Tax authorities.</p>   |

**2. Non-resident Members**

| TDS rate  | Exemption applicability/ Documents required   |
|---|---|
| <b>Withholding tax under section 393 of the Act</b>       |   |
| <p>20% or withholding rate as per the applicable DTAA</p> | <p>For non-resident members, tax is required to be withheld in accordance with the provisions of Section 393(2) [Table: S. No. 17] and other applicable Sections of the Act, at the rates in force. The withholding tax shall be at the rate of 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) or as notified by the Government of India on the amount of dividend payable.</p> <p>However, as per section 159 of the Act, non-resident members have the option to be governed by the provisions of the Double Tax Avoidance Agreement ("DTAA"), read with Multilateral Instrument ("MLI") between India and the country of tax residence of the member, if they are more beneficial to them.</p> <p>For this purpose, i.e., to avail the benefits under the DTAA read with MLI, non-resident members will have to provide the following:</p> |

| TDS rate | Exemption applicability/ Documents required  |
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|          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Copy of the PAN card allotted by the Indian income tax authorities duly attested by the member or details<sup>1</sup> as prescribed under rule 217 of Income Tax Rules, 2026.</li> <li>ii. Copy of Tax Residency Certificate for financial year 2026-27 obtained from the revenue authorities of the country of tax residence, duly attested by the member.</li> <li>iii. Self-declaration in Form 41 and should be e-filed.</li> <li>iv. Self-declaration by the member of having no permanent establishment in India in accordance with the applicable tax treaty (format enclosed <b>Annexure IV</b> to this Communication).</li> <li>v. Self-declaration of beneficial ownership by the non-resident member (format enclosed as <b>Annexure IV</b> to this Communication).</li> <li>vi. In case of shareholder being tax resident of a foreign country or specified territory where the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (<b>DTAA</b>) between India and that foreign country or specified territory, as the case may be, prescribes additional conditions (for example Article 24 of the India-Singapore Tax Treaty) for the shareholder to avail any beneficial tax treatment, please furnish relevant evidences demonstrating eligibility to avail such beneficial tax treatment (for example letter issued by the competent authority or any other evidences demonstrating the non-applicability of Article 24 - Limitation of Relief under India-Singapore DTAA). It is recommended that shareholder should independently satisfy its eligibility to claim DTAA benefit including meeting of all conditions laid down by the relevant DTAA.</li> <li>vii. A 'should level' opinion from a Big 4 Firm stating that the non-resident shareholder is eligible to claim benefit of the applicable tax treaty for the dividend.</li> <li>viii. Any other relevant documents duly attested by the member.</li> </ul> <p><i>Note: In case the above documents are not provided, the treaty benefits would not be considered for withholding</i></p> <p><i>Big four firms – KPMG, EY, Deloitte, or PWC</i></p> |

<sup>1</sup> a Name, email id, contact number

b. Address in the country outside India

c. Tax residency certificate of the country of residence

d. Tax identification number in the country of residence

| <b>Foreign institutional investors/ Foreign portfolio investors</b> |   |
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| 20%   | In case of Foreign Institutional Investors / Foreign Portfolio Investors, tax will be deducted under Section 393(2) [Table: S. No. 15] of the Act @ 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) or the rate provided in relevant DTAA, read with MLI, whichever is more beneficial, subject to the submission of the above documents |
| <b>Order under section 395 of the IT Act</b>                        |   |
| Rate as prescribed in the order                                     | Lower/NIL withholding tax certificate obtained from Income Tax authorities.   |

**NO COMMUNICATION/DOCUMENTS IN RESPECT OF TDS WOULD BE ACCEPTED FROM MEMBERS AFTER APRIL 06, 2026.**

**3. Declaration by Recipient Shareholder for transfer of TDS credit to the beneficial shareholder under Rule 203(2) of the Income Tax Rules, 2026**

In case dividend income is assessable in the hands of person other than member then declaration needs to be provided by member for the same as per Rule 203 of the Income Tax Rules, 2026. Member needs to confirm the (a) Residential status, (b) validity of PAN in respect of the beneficial shareholders as a part of the declaration. The declaration has been enclosed as **Annexure V** to this communication.

Declaration may be submitted before the filing of TDS return by the company. Members may note that TDS credit will be applied only in a scenario where the beneficial shareholders in respect of cases where TDS rate applicable for the beneficial shareholder is in line with TDS rate considered for deduction in respect of the member. Further, the company would independently carry out relevant verification and would transfer TDS credit only in case the aforementioned conditions are satisfied. As there is ample time available between deduction of tax and filing of TDS returns, members are requested to ensure submission of declarations prior to Monday, 06 April, 2026.

**4. Other General Information to members:**

- i. The Company is not obligated to apply the beneficial DTAA rates at the time of tax deduction on dividend paid to members. Application of beneficial DTAA rate shall depend upon the completeness and satisfactory review by the Company, of the documents submitted by Non- Resident members.
- ii. Application of TDS rate is subject to necessary due diligence and verification of the members details as available in register of Members on the Record Date and aforesaid prescribed documents. In case of ambiguous, incomplete or conflicting information, or the valid information/documents not being provided, the Company will deduct tax at the maximum applicable rate.
- iii. In case TDS is deducted at a higher rate, an option is still available with the member to file the return of income and claim an appropriate refund, if eligible.
- iv. In the event of any income tax demand (including interest, penalty, etc.) arising from any misrepresentation, inaccuracy or omission of information provided / to be provided by the Member, such Member will be responsible to indemnify the Company against all claims, demands, penalties, losses etc. and also, provide the Company with all information / documents and co-operation in any appellate proceedings. No claim shall lie against the Company for such taxes deducted.
- v. Above communication on TDS sets out the provisions of law in a summary manner only and does not purport to be a complete analysis or listing of all potential tax consequences. Members should consult with their own tax advisors for the tax provisions applicable to their particular circumstances.

You are requested to mandatorily update your bank details (NECS details) with the Depository Participants/Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent ('RTA') for online and timely remittance of dividend; and register your email id for prompt communication from the Company in future.

**Updation of your personal details including PAN, bank account, email id, mobile number, you are requested to contact:**

- in case of shareholding in electronic form - with your Depository Participant.
- in case of shareholding in physical form - with the RTA viz. MUFG Intime India Private Limited (Formerly Link Intime India Private Limited)

The relevant investor service request forms in this regard are available on the website of the Company [<https://www.asterdmhealthcare.in/investors/shareholders-services/important-shareholder-information>] and RTA [<https://web.in.mpms.mufg.com/KYC-downloads.html>].

The Forms as mentioned in Table 1 & 2 can be accessed and downloaded from the website of the Company at the web-link <https://www.asterdmhealthcare.in/investors/shareholders-services/information-on-interim-dividend-fy-2025-26>

Kindly note that the documents/annexures as mentioned in the Table 1 and 2 above are required to be submitted to the Company/ Registrar at email ID [dividend@asterdmhealthcare.in](mailto:dividend@asterdmhealthcare.in) or update the same by visiting the link <https://web.in.mpms.mufg.com/formsreg/submission-of-form-15g-15h.html>

**We seek your co-operation in the matter.**

Your sincerely,

For **Aster DM Healthcare Limited.**

**Hemish Purushottam**

Company Secretary and Compliance Officer